

RM-10867
Comments:

Commissioners of the FCC,

I would like to keep the current licensing system in place. It has only been 3 years since our licensing structure has been overhauled. Amateur radio licenses held in the US is at a all time high. If Morse code was a deterrent, it should be just the opposite.

I strongly urge element 1, the 5 wpm code be kept for HF communications. It has long been a foundation for amateur radio and it is mode that may be out dated in some respects, but it useful when no other mode can get through. Pilots of down aircraft still use it. I strongly support further digital experimentation in digital technology. However, in an emergency, if something terrible would happen to the US, Morse code would be there no matter what. It should be worn as a badge of honor.

Please keep 3 license structure as present and grandfather Novice and Advanced license classes to the next level. Protect our current CW and digital subbands.

Regards,

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